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PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant : Nancy A. Abbe

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 19, 2002, and following the March 17, 2003 Notice of Appeal, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of this case in light of the following amendments and remarks:

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